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Application of: C. Fisher et al.

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Examiner: Narayanswamy Subramanian

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
VARIABLE ANNUITY CONTRACT
ADMINISTRATION

Attorney Docket No.: 84417.4001

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the office action dated June 4, 2003, please enter the following amendments and comments into the file of this application.

Amendments to the Claims, including the addition of new claims 21-23, are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

Declaration of Charles G. Fisher is attached following page 16 of this paper.

A petition for extension of time is filed herewith. The fees for the extension and any other required fee or deficiencies in the fee are authorized to be charged to Winston & Strawn LLP Deposit Account No. 501-814, Order No. 84417.4001.

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